

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 448

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Tushina Jain of St. Mary's Episcopal School, upon being named *The Commercial Appeal's* 2006-2007 First Tennessee Academic All-Star for Science.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to salute those young citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Tushina Jain, an esteemed student at St. Mary's Episcopal School, has been duly recognized as *The Commercial Appeal's* 2006-2007 First Tennessee Academic All-Star in the subject area of Science; and

WHEREAS, in its inaugural year, *The Commercial Appeal's* First Tennessee Academic All-Stars program spotlights standout students in the newspaper and honors them for their dedication to academics, school leadership, and community service; and

WHEREAS, since the all-star program's September inception, principals from fifty Memphis area schools have nominated nearly 600 exceptional students for it; from those 600 students, ten were chosen to the All-Star program, each of whom have excelled in a particular subject area; and

WHEREAS, Tushina Jain is a problem-solver with an inquisitive mind that proves beneficial in her science studies; she received the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award and a \$7,500 per year scholarship to the University of Rochester; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated student and published poet, Ms. Jain received the top award for Honors Pre-Calculus, finished seventh in the nation on the National Spanish Exam, and was named a National Merit Semifinalist; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her stellar academic feats, Tushina Jain leads the Young Women Striving for Excellence Program in which female students from around the city are tutored by St. Mary's students; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depends, in great measure, on the dedication of young people like Tushina Jain who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, Tushina Jain is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Tushina Jain, of St. Mary's Episcopal School, upon her selection as *The Commercial Appeal's* 2006-2007 First Tennessee Academic All-Star in the subject area of Science, recognize her outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, academic prowess, and community spirit, and extend to her our best wishes for every continued success in all of her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.